

Volunteers Are Leaving Every Day, FEARING AN EPIDEMIC. The Situation Now Growing Worse, and Workers Discouraged. ONE OF THE URGENT NEEDS

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—The volunteer forces are likely to be withdrawn from Johnstown, said Mr. Hartman, of the Hartman Steel Works, at Beaver, Pa. "I have talked with Mr. Flinn and Captain Jones, and at a meeting last night it was decided that a week from Saturday the volunteers will be taken away. It is necessary to show just where the town stands, both to the people of the place and those of the country at large. No workmen will stay here under present conditions. They are leaving in droves and the number coming in barely fills the gap made by those who go.

"The proper way to have taken care of these men would have been to build trucks out on the ground and run in box cars for the men to live in instead of tents.

A New Plan a Necessity.

"The present arrangement is very bad, and should a little winter weather come the men would die like flies. In the box cars 15,000 men could have been cared for much more easily than the present number in tents. Superintendent Patton would have had the trucks put in for us and said he would take every box car off his line to accommodate our men. But the others did not see it at the time as I did. They do now.

"Saying nothing about anything else, it must be very apparent that the living of such a population as there is in Johnstown without any system of sewerage whatever is certain to breed disease. The mere living of several thousand men in tents would be enough to do this. People who have not been here have not the slightest conception of the desperate situation of the place. Comparatively few here realize it.

Work for Thousands of Men.

"Governor Beaver certainly doesn't understand it or he would take some step to aid the town and its inhabitants. I took a gang of 200 men over to Kerville yesterday to see what could be done toward cleaning it up. We worked two hours and I withdrew them disheartened. There was work for 1,000 men for months.

"In a short time there will be a desperate state of affairs in Johnstown. Perhaps the only way to prevent a great evil will be to perpetrate a lesser one, and apply the torch to the piles of rubbish. After it is reasonably certain that no bodies can be recovered from the dam at the bridge it ought to be burned. The firing of the rest of the rubbish may endanger the town, but it is the only thing that will save it from something worse."

MEN WITHOUT HEARTS.

Greedy Speculators Trying to Persuade Sufferers to Sell Their Lands for Little or Nothing. Many Cautious Who Stand by Johnstown.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—It's an ill wind that blows nobody good. Horrible as was the disaster of one week ago, and frightful as is the plight of its survivors to-night, there are those mean enough to take advantage of the situation for their own gain. This afternoon quite a number of real estate speculators arrived on the scene and set to work to buy up all the land obtainable. Owing to the present condition of affairs there are hundreds of half-crazed men and women here who, having lost everything they held dear, are willing to part with the accumulation of a lifetime, for a song.

It is on this class of people, who, had they time to think, would probably not part with their land for love or money, that the heartless speculators are preying, and unless some prompt measures are taken to stop it hundreds will be without even so much as a place to build a shack, or with but a pittance for the land that once was theirs. The real estate agents are using all kinds of arguments to secure cheap properties, and the few who are willing to sell at any cost. Others fear a pestilence, and want to get away to avoid it, while still others think it will be better for them from a financial standpoint to leave their homes. Among this latter class of people a gentleman named Mr. A. J. Haws. That gentleman says he has lived in Johnstown too long to forsake it now.

WITHOUT SHELTER FOR THE RAIN.

Poor and Homeless People Crowd Around the Bleeding Wreck of Their Homes.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—An ugly chilling rain is falling at this hour, which increases the misery of the poor people tenfold. Although there are acres of tents, feeding thousands of people, there are many who have no shelter of any kind. These unfortunate are indeed in a pitiable condition, and are huddled around the fires, with children, perhaps of their own homes, a shivering mass. It did seem as if their cup of misery was certainly full, but scenes of sadness too night seem to be transcended all.

A FAMOUS NURSE ARRIVES.

Mrs. Jerome, With 75 Others, Comes to Aid the Sufferers.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—The train from Pittsburgh came in this afternoon. Doctor J. B. Scott was seated on a truck writing out orders. He is all business and his orders are implicitly obeyed. Mrs. F. B. Jerome, president of the Yellow Cross Society, an outgrowth of the Jacksonville epidemic, arrived from New York this morning. She is of the most remarkable history, and is all through the Zulu war. In 1902 she was a nurse in China, and has been in many of the most famous hospitals of the world, and she offered Scott her own services and those of 75 other nurses, and was immediately assigned to duty.

RIGID SANITARY RULES.

Being Carefully Enforced by the Corps of Police and Doctors.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—The sanitary corps, under the direction of the State Board of Health, is distributing disinfectants, burning dead animals, erecting sanitary conveniences, caring for the burial of the dead, and visiting from house to house and ascertaining the number of persons sick in each one. The corps has been increased to 60 men, and they are doing considerable work toward preventing the spread of disease. They have so far burned about 120 horses and a large number of cows. One man was arrested yesterday for throwing dead horses in the river above the docks. Adjutant General Hastings issued an order to the guards to bring any man in who was found throwing anything at all into that part of the river.

Two carloads of disinfectants arrived this morning. Dr. Goff says the work is now well advanced and that the danger of an epidemic that any disease will spread. The weather here is hot and sultry, and the odor of disinfectants and burning is almost unbearable. The report that diphtheria and pneumonia were breaking out in Woodville and Prospect Heights, and that the epidemic was in the town. It had the effect of causing a number of people here to move their children away. The sanitary corps sent out notices to the effect that all children be sent away from the present.

The physicians here anticipate that any contagious disease will spread through the town. The cases in the hospital have been promptly attended to. A corps of ten sanitary inspectors under the direction of Dr. Goff, made a sweep upon the little borough of Kerville, and are tearing things up, and killing the rats. The inspectors have ordered a number of cesspools cleaned out, and when it is not convenient to the proprietors is given to the people to disinfest the place.

The Bureau of Health of Pittsburgh, with 13 men, is working on this side of the river. The sanitary corps have also established hygienic conditions in the town. The sanitary corps have put up a hospital with the following corps of physicians in charge: Dr. Hunter, Maxwell, and Dr. Goff. The sanitary corps have also established a hospital for the sick, and will take charge of any of the workmen who may become sick. Barrels for waste have been placed in the town, and the people will gather up the refuse stuff each day and burn it. This precaution was taken to guard against any possibility of sickness.

MILES OF COUNTRY LAD WASTE.

Still Greater Reports of Loss Come From the Juniata Valley.

HUNTINGDON, June 7.—The immense destruction to property in the Juniata Valley by the raging floods can now be pretty correctly estimated. The reports from the various sections to report from various sections. The county's loss in the destruction of 850 dwellings, 100 barns, 23 bridges, cows, farming property, and manufacturing property will reach \$1,000,000. The loss in the Juniata Valley is the largest ever suffered. The tracks of the East Broad Top Railroad, running from the main line at Mount Union, are destroyed, and the Rock Hill and Juniata River Railroad is also destroyed. The loss in the Juniata Valley is estimated at \$1,000,000. Lucy Furnace, at Mount Union, was partially destroyed. The large machine shop was wrecked and a number of men were swept away and not a single one was seen. The river for six miles west of Lewistown remains standing. From the mouth of the Juniata to the mouth of the Susquehanna, there is not a bridge crossing the river is left.

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It will require weeks yet before regular travel will be resumed on the Pennsylvania, and many months before permanent tracks can be laid.

HUNDREDS OF WORKERS WANTED.

The Finance Committee Anxious to Hasten the Work of Clearing.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—An important secret meeting of the Finance Committee of the Johnstown Relief Corps was held on the second floor of the First National Bank building this morning. The Finance Committee is anxious to hasten the work of clearing the debris from the dam at the bridge. The Finance Committee is anxious to hasten the work of clearing the debris from the dam at the bridge. The Finance Committee is anxious to hasten the work of clearing the debris from the dam at the bridge.

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GOVERNMENT BRIDGE BUILDERS.

At Work Erecting a Structure Between Johnstown and Kerville.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—The work of constructing a pontoon bridge across Stony Creek, connecting Johnstown and Kerville, was commenced this evening at 9 o'clock. The work will continue all night, and it is believed that the bridge will be ready by morning. The bridge will be built of pontoons, and will be used for the transport of material, and for the transport of material, and for the transport of material.

THE UNION LEGION HELPING.

Arrival of a Committee and Money—New Supply Station.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—General A. L. Pearson, Colonel Gallipe and Dr. Seip, representing the Union Legion, arrived here today to assist in the work of relief. General Pearson had with him \$1,000, the first installment of money from the Legion. The Legion is a patriotic organization, and is now helping the sufferers in Johnstown. The Legion is a patriotic organization, and is now helping the sufferers in Johnstown. The Legion is a patriotic organization, and is now helping the sufferers in Johnstown.

SEQUEL TO A TRAGEDY.

Portraits of DeKalft and Miss Patton Found in the Debris.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—One of the curious discoveries in the debris to-day was two portraits from cabinet size negatives of two persons, a man and a woman. The prints were found within two feet of each other in the ruins near Merchant's Hotel. They were immediately recognized as portraits of Mamie Patton of Johnstown, and Charles DeKalft, once of the Pennsylvania State Police. The two were found lying together in a room in a Pittsburgh hotel, several months ago, the woman having shot the man and herself. She claimed he was the man in the picture who showed her the dress she wore when she killed DeKalft.

ONLY TWO BEPS PERISHED.

But the Twenty Survivors of the Order Are Coming to Town.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—The Heptasheps have only two members, Dr. L. I. and W. C. Goff. A meeting has just been held for the purpose of rendering assistance to the twenty members of the order here. The survivors of the order are coming to town. The survivors of the order are coming to town. The survivors of the order are coming to town.

A FISH STORY.

With Illustrations, It is a Story of the United States Fish Commission.

NATIONAL AID ASKED.

The Present Organization Unequal to the Needs of the Situation—Great Need for Action to Avert a Pestilence.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—Adjutant General Hastings has officially called upon the authorities at Washington for Government aid to assist in clearing up the wreckage caused by the flood in Johnstown and vicinity. The General recognizes the imperative fact that the present organization, however admirable, is unable to cope with the necessities of the situation, because there is such an immense amount and variety of work to be done, and done at once. There are hundreds, perhaps thousands of people in the town, and the work is so great that it is impossible to do it all. The General is asking for Government aid to assist in clearing up the wreckage caused by the flood in Johnstown and vicinity.

EFFORTS WILL BE WASTED.

In Trying to Effect a Permanent Cleanup Up the River—Plan—\$3,000,000 Needed to Prevent the Work Properly and Effectually.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—Contractor Flinn is not satisfied with the way the work of clearing away the debris is being conducted. He says that it will cost \$3,000,000 to do the work as commenced, and it will only be temporary and practically a waste of energy and money. To make a permanent improvement would cost \$8,000,000. Flinn is asking for Government aid to assist in clearing up the wreckage caused by the flood in Johnstown and vicinity.

THE DISTRESS IN MORRELLVILLE.

Great Scarcity of Clothing and Shoes—25 People in One Small House.

JOHNSTOWN, June 7.—There is more destitution to the square inch in Morrellville than in any other section of Cambria county. Fortunately, however, the work there is more systematic than at any other point on the valley. The people are being helped by the relief corps. The people are being helped by the relief corps. The people are being helped by the relief corps.

AN IMMENSE AMOUNT OF WORK.

"In the work which has already been commenced and seems to be proceeding to completion with all possible expedition, it is temporary and to end when the present army of men under both Flinn and the volunteers from the different parts of the country are compelled to leave for home, or to the Finance Committee, which is supposed to have charge of the matter, to receive sufficient money from the State of Pennsylvania and the entire country to supply the amount necessary to complete the work of clearing up the wreckage caused by the flood in Johnstown and vicinity.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE.

"With this conclusion already formed, I noticed the business and the relief corps are supposed to act in this matter with authority, that I would withdraw my present force of workmen unless the matter was decided to be conducted from a permanent standpoint. The matter will be looked at from a financial or a practical business standpoint on one hand, or a sentimental or charitable point of view on the other.

HEROIC HOSPITAL WORKERS.

The Red Cross Society Doing Its Best to Relieve the Sufferers.

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LOCK HAYEN'S CRY FOR AID.

A Heroic Attempt to Recover From the Effects of the Flood.

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